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Title: SCLEROPROTEIN OF AN ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS WITH
MODIFIED CHROMATOGRAPHIC PROPERTIES, THE PRODUCTION
THEREOF AND USE OF THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

In the Specification:

Insert the attached sequence listing at the end of the application.

Please replace the fourth full paragraph on page 10 (lines 28-39) with the following paragraph re-written in clean form:

In a further preferred embodiment, the other mutation(s) represent(s) one or more deletions and/or one or more insertions in the structural protein or combinations of said modifications. In this connection, insertion is preferably the insertion of a cell membrane receptor ligand, of a Rep protein or peptide, for example in the form of a Rep domain, of an immunosuppressive protein or peptide and/or of a protein or peptide with a signal for double strand synthesis of a transgene or foreign gene. A preferred example in this connection is the P1 peptide (QAGTFALRGDNPQG) (SEQ ID NO: 1) (see above).